

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE            )  
JUSTICE COURT VIDEO            )  
CONFERENCE PILOT PROJECT )**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
No. 96-008**

The Justice Courts have received approval from the Arizona Supreme Court to expend local JCEF funds to purchase and install court video conference/personal computer equipment for a twelve month pilot project.

This pilot, which is anticipated to begin January 31, 1996, and conclude January 31, 1997, will include the Tempe, West Phoenix and Wickenburg Justice Courts (and the Sheriff's Office/County Jail).

The types of court proceedings which will be conducted during this video pilot will include the following: initial appearances, arraignments, failure to appear, failure to pay, and failure to comply warrant hearings.

The pilot project is designed to achieve the following objectives: enhance the expediting of court proceedings; increase court productivity as a result of utilization of both video conference technology and personal computer equipment; provide for a more safe and secure Court work environment; conserve expenses associated with transporting County prisoners to these courts; and improve the quality and consistency of the administration of justice in the courts.

Written policies and procedures have been drafted and finalized by Justice Court Administration in consultation with the Judges and Chief Clerks in the three pilot courts. Additionally, individual court statistics will be compiled by court staff during this pilot to determine the benefit of utilizing this technology, and to determine if long-term use of video technology should be considered for the justice court system.

**IT IS ORDERED,** authorizing the Tempe, West Phoenix and Wickenburg Justice Courts to participate in this twelve month video conference pilot project.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1996.

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Robert D. Myers, Presiding Judge

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